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Reference: AR 600-8-22, Military Awards, dated 25 Feb 95.

1. The purpose of this message is to provide the policy clarification on changes to award of the Overseas Service Ribbon (OSR) and the Driver and Mechanic Badge.

2. A change to the requirements for award of the OSR has eliminated the policy that restricted award of the OSR when another campaign/service medal is awarded. Effective immediately, paragraph 5-4d, AR 600-8-22, is rescinded.

3. Award of the Driver and Mechanic Badge has eliminated requirement to occupy a duty position with title of driver or assistant driver of Army vehicles. Criterion has been changed to read as follows:

Paragraph 8-28d, Eligibility requirement for drivers, a Soldier must--

- (1) Qualify for and possess a current OF 346 (U.S. Government Motor Vehicles Operator's Identification Card), issued as prescribed by AR 600-55 and,
- (2) Be assigned duties and responsibilities as a driver or assistant driver of government vehicles for a minimum of 12 consecutive months, or during at least 8,000 miles with no government motor vehicle accident or traffic violation recorded on his or her DA Form 348-1-R (Equipment Operator's Qualification Record (Except Aircraft)), or
- (3) Perform satisfactorily for a minimum period of 1 year as an active qualified driver instructor or motor vehicle driver examiner.

4. If you have any questions, please contact the Military Awards Branch at awards@hoffman.army.mil.